Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 21 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 22 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 20 Apr 2021 at 14:09

Confidence: High confidence in generally dry and settled conditions through the remainder of the week and through the coming weekend. Moderate confidence in wind strengths from Thursday.

Headline for Wednesday 21 Apr 2021: Low chance of a morning shower, then dry with increasing amounts of sunshine.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 21 Apr 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	00%

Forecast for Wednesday 21 Apr 2021

Weather: Dry with clear periods during the overnight period and probably stay dry through the morning with a mixture of broken cloud and sunny spells. There is a low chance of a light shower around the middle of the morning. Increasing amounts of sunshine developing through the afternoon. Feeling cooler than on Monday and Tuesday with a brisk easterly breeze over the summits. Remaining dry with clear periods into the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% in the east, 70% in the west. Rising to 80-90% from early afternoon. Periods of cloud developing above around 800m soon after dawn, this most extensive over the Carneddau plateau, with patches down to 600m on some east facing slopes in the north and east of the park. Cloud lifting to occasional patches above 950m early in the afternoon and then lifting above all the summits.

Visibility: Generally very good on most terrain, however poor or very poor visibilities in hill cloud. Navigation will be challenging at times, especially when not following main routes and on northeast facing slopes during the morning.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	10/13 NE	10/14 E	15/22 E	21/30 E	22/31 E	17/25 E	16/22 E	18/25 E	17/25 E
600	6/9 E	7/11 E	13/21 E	18/28 E	19/29 E	14/23 E	12/20 E	11/20 E	15/24 E
300	3/6 NW	5/9 E	10/20 E	16/27 E	17/28 E	12/22 E	10/19 E	9/18 E	12/23 E
Valley	3/5 NW	4/8 E	10/20 E	16/26 E	17/27 E	12/21 E	10/18 E	9/18 E	13/24 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	5/2	5/2	3/-2	3/-3	3/-2	4/-0	4/-0	3/-3	-0/-6
600	7/5	7/5	6/2	6/1	6/2	7/4	7/4	5/1	3/-2
300	8/7	9/8	8/5	8/5	9/6	10/7	10/7	7/4	4/0
Valley	8/8	9/8	8/6	10/6	10/7	11/9	11/8	8/6	5/1
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1400m	1400m	1200m	1000m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Despite it feeling cold in the breeze on the higher summits, moderate to high UV levels are expected during the afternoon, so it is worth protecting your skin if you are going to be out for a prolonged time.

Forecast for Thursday 22 Apr 2021

Weather: Dry, clear and cold during the overnight hours with a frost developing in the valleys. A few pockets of mist around dawn, but these quickly clearing to leave a dry and sunny day. Mainly blue skies with perhaps a little high cloud at times. Strong sunshine will give high UV levels during the middle part of the day.

Maximum wind: Easterly 15-20 mph gusting 25 mph at times.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 100%. No cloud is expected to affect the mountains.

Visibility: Very good or excellent. Some distant hills may appear a little hazy during the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 3 Celsius rising to plus 16 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius rising to plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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